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Notice of Lifting of Suspension Date:

TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: Notice of a preliminary determination in the antidumping duty investigation of circular welded carbon-quality steel pipe from the Sultanate of Oman (Oman) (A-523-812)

- 1. On 06/08/2016, Commerce published in the Federal Register its affirmative preliminary determination of sales at less than fair value and postponement of the final determination in the antidumping duty investigation of circular welded carbon-quality steel pipe from Oman (81 FR 36871).
- 2. This investigation covers welded carbon-quality steel pipes and tube, of circular cross-section, with an outside diameter (O.D.) not more than nominal 16 inches (406.4 mm), regardless of wall thickness, surface finish (e.g., black, galvanized, or painted), end finish (plain end, beveled end, grooved, threaded, or threaded and coupled), or industry specification (e.g., American Society for Testing and Materials International (ASTM), proprietary, or other), generally known as standard pipe, fence pipe and tube, sprinkler pipe, and structural pipe (although subject product may also be referred to as mechanical tubing). Specifically, the term "carbon quality" includes products in which:
- (a) iron predominates, by weight, over each of the other contained elements;
- (b) the carbon content is 2 percent or less, by weight; and
- (c) none of the elements listed below exceeds the quantity, by weight, as indicated:
- (i) 1.80 percent of manganese;
- (ii) 2.25 percent of silicon;
- (iii) 1.00 percent of copper;
- (iv) 0.50 percent of aluminum;
- (v) 1.25 percent of chromium;
- (vi) 0.30 percent of cobalt;
- (vii) 0.40 percent of lead;
- (viii) 1.25 percent of nickel;
- (ix) 0.30 percent of tungsten;
- (x) 0.15 percent of molybdenum;
- (xi) 0.10 percent of niobium;
- (xii) 0.41 percent of titanium;

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(xiii) 0.15 percent of vanadium; or

(xiv) 0.15 percent of zirconium.

Covered products are generally made to standard O.D. and wall thickness combinations. Pipe multi-stenciled to a standard and/or structural specification and to other specifications, such as American Petroleum Institute (API) API-5L specification, may also be covered by the scope of this investigation. In particular, such multi-stenciled merchandise is covered when it meets the physical description set forth above, and also has one or more of the following characteristics: is 32 feet in length or less; is less than 2.0 inches (50 mm) in outside diameter; has a galvanized and/or painted (e.g., polyester coated) surface finish; or has a threaded and/or coupled end finish.

Standard pipe is ordinarily made to ASTM specifications A53, A135, and A795, but can also be made to other specifications. Structural pipe is made primarily to ASTM specifications A252 and A500. Standard and structural pipe may also be produced to proprietary specifications rather than to industry specifications.

Sprinkler pipe is designed for sprinkler fire suppression systems and may be made to industry specifications such as ASTM A53 or to proprietary specifications.

Fence tubing is included in the scope regardless of certification to a specification listed in the exclusions below, and can also be made to the ASTM A513 specification. Products that meet the physical description set forth above but are made to the following nominal outside diameter and wall thickness combinations, which are recognized by the industry as typical for fence tubing, are included despite being certified to ASTM mechanical tubing specifications:

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.315

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.035

Gage: 20

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.315

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.047

Gage: 18

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.315

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.055

Gage: 17

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.315

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Gage: 16

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.315

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.072

Gage: 15

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.315

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.083

Gage: 14

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.315

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.095

Gage: 13

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.660

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.055

Gage: 17

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.660

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.065

Gage: 16

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.660

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.083

Gage: 14

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.660

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.095

Gage: 13

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.660

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.109

Gage: 12

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.900

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.047

Gage: 18

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O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.900

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.055

Gage: 17

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.900

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.065

Gage: 16

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.900

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.072

Gage: 15

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.900

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.095

Gage: 13

O.D. in inches (nominal): 1.900

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.109

Gage: 12

O.D. in inches (nominal): 2.375

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.047

Gage: 18

O.D. in inches (nominal): 2.375

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.055

Gage: 17

O.D. in inches (nominal): 2.375

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.065

Gage: 16

O.D. in inches (nominal): 2.375

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.072

Gage: 15

O.D. in inches (nominal): 2.375

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Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.095

Gage: 13

O.D. in inches (nominal): 2.375

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.109

Gage: 12

O.D. in inches (nominal): 2.375

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.120

Gage: 11

O.D. in inches (nominal): 2.875

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.109

Gage: 12

O.D. in inches (nominal): 2.875

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.165

Gage: 8

O.D. in inches (nominal): 3.500

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.109

Gage: 12

O.D. in inches (nominal): 3.500

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.165

Gage: 8

O.D. in inches (nominal): 4.000

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.148

Gage: 9

O.D. in inches (nominal): 4.000

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.165

Gage: 8

O.D. in inches (nominal): 4.500

Wall thickness in inches (nominal): 0.203

Gage: 7

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The scope of this investigation does not include:

- (a) pipe suitable for use in boilers, superheaters, heat exchangers, refining furnaces and feedwater heaters, whether or not cold drawn, which are defined by standards such as ASTM A178 or ASTM A192:
- (b) finished electrical conduit, i.e., Electrical Rigid Steel Conduit (also known as Electrical Rigid Metal Conduit and Electrical Rigid Metal Steel Conduit), Finished Electrical Metallic Tubing, and Electrical Intermediate Metal Conduit, which are defined by specifications such as American National Standard (ANSI) C80.1-2005, ANSI C80.3-2005, or ANSI C80.6-2005, and Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) UL-6, UL-797, or UL-1242;
- (c) finished scaffolding, i.e., component parts of final, finished scaffolding that enter the United States unassembled as a "kit." A kit is understood to mean a packaged combination of component parts that contains, at the time of importation, all of the necessary component parts to fully assemble final, finished scaffolding;
- (d) tube and pipe hollows for redrawing;
- (e) oil country tubular goods produced to API specifications;
- (f) line pipe produced to only API specifications, such as API 5L, and not multi-stenciled; and
- (g) mechanical tubing, whether or not cold-drawn, other than what is included in the above paragraphs.

The products subject to this investigation are currently classifiable in Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) statistical reporting numbers 7306.19.1010, 7306.19.1050, 7306.19.5110, 7306.19.5150, 7306.30.1000, 7306.30.5015, 7306.30.5020, 7306.30.5025, 7306.30.5032, 7306.30.5040, 7306.30.5055, 7306.30.5085, 7306.30.5090, 7306.50.1000, 7306.50.5030, 7306.50.5050, and 7306.50.5070. The HTSUS subheadings above are provided for convenience and U.S. Customs purposes only. The written description of the scope of the investigation is dispositive.

- 3. This investigation has been assigned investigation number A-523-812.
- 4. For imports of circular welded carbon-quality steel pipe from Oman, CBP shall suspend liquidation of such shipments entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after 06/08/2016. Effective 06/08/2016, CBP shall require, for such entries, a cash deposit equal to the margin for the producer and/or exporter listed below:

Producer and/or Exporter:

Al Jazeera Steel Products Co. SAOG

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Case number: A-523-812-001

Cash deposit rate: 7.86%

All Others

Case Number: A-523-812-000

Cash Deposit Rate: 7.86%

5. If any entries of this merchandise are exported by a firm other than the producer, then the following instructions apply:

A. If the exporter of the subject merchandise does not have its own rate but the producer has its own rate, the cash deposit or bonding rate will be the producer's rate.

- B. Where neither the exporter nor the producer has its own rate or the producer is unknown, use the all-others rate of 7.86 percent to establish the cash deposit.
- 6. If there are any questions by the importing public regarding this message, please contact the Call Center for the Office of AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce at (202) 482-0984. CBP ports should submit their inquiries through authorized CBP channels only. (This message was generated by OII:KJ.)
- 7. There are no restrictions on the release of this information.

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Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party

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